

San Francisco, Nov: 10<sup>th</sup> 1864.

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sing of ship<sup>t</sup> of Prof & each? Express Rec. Adm  
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a line by a son of Mr. St. John who is just  
starting this afternoon for Chathamaga.

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manfully - as though they had a work  
to do - and must be done -

We all feel in good hearts & the  
fitting out of the drafted men & the substi-  
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is a large number in the streets daily fitting  
out - all in good spirits. You would

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to the Draft" had been thought of. A  
better day has dawned for the future  
& the Soldier at the front may be assured  
that all is well at home now.

We have no reports that Sherman  
has left Atlanta on his way to Charleston  
after burning the place & destroying the  
Rail R.<sup>d</sup> from there to Chatto. - which is  
not credited - Will write shortly -  
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Affectionately Yr  
James F. Murray

Terre Haute, Nov [10<sup>th</sup> ?] 1864

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